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## LOUISVILLE MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO POSSESSING FOUR FIREARMS

## - Four-time convicted felon

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today that **ANTWAIN PERKS**, age 26, of 5214 Poplar Level Road, Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, **pled guilty** in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, to possessing three firearms after he had been convicted of a felony. Perks has four felony convictions including drug trafficking and wanton endangerment.

The maximum potential penalties are not less than 15 years and not more than life, a \$250,000 fine, and at least 3 years supervised release.

**Perks** admitted that on December 6, 2005, in Jefferson County, Kentucky, he possessed three firearms, including a Charles Daly Model DDA-10 .40 caliber pistol, a Glock Model 21 .45 caliber pistol, and a Century Arms International .45 caliber carbine.

According to the Superseding Indictment, Perks has previously been convicted of the following felony offenses:

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>OFFENSE</u> | CASE NUMBER | <u>COURT</u>      |
|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------------|
| 9-11-97     | wanton         | 97-CR-1854  | Jefferson Co., KY |
|             | endangerment   |             | Circuit Court     |
|             | first degree   |             |                   |
| 07-02-99    | possession of  | 98-CR-1761  | Jefferson Co., KY |

|          | a controlled substance, first degree                         |            | Circuit Court                      |
|----------|--|------------|------------------------------------|
| 02-22-00 | trafficking in<br>a controlled<br>substance, first<br>degree | 99-CR-0933 | Jefferson Co., KY<br>Circuit Court |
| 11-07-01 | wanton<br>endangerment<br>first degree                       | 01-CR-0913 | Jefferson Co., KY<br>Circuit Court |

This is a Project Backfire prosecution. Project Backfire is a cooperative effort by the Jefferson County Attorney's Office, the Jefferson County Commonwealth's Attorneys Office, the Louisville Metro Police Department, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and the United States Attorney's Office to ensure that firearm offenses are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the state and federal law.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Thomas W. Dyke and was investigated by the Louisville Metropolitan Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

**Perks** is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Heyburn on March 19, 2007, at 11:00 a.m. in Louisville, Kentucky.